IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Cheng et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to take action in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 2, 1998. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a response up to and including February 2, 1998.

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